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**TO:** CTE Administrators

FROM: Lolita B. Hall, Director

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SUBJECT: National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) NCLEX-PN Examination

The Virginia Board of Nursing has shared the information in Attachment A in reference to the New Comprehensive NCLEX-PN examination from the NCSBN. The NCSBN is a not-for-profit organization through which boards of nursing act and counsel together on matters of common interest and concern affecting public health, safety and welfare, including the development of licensing examinations in nursing.

The new test plan goes into effect April 1, 2014. Detailed information can be found on the NCSBN Web site. Please share this information with all instructors of practical nursing to ensure that students have current information for the nursing licensure exams. If you have questions, please contact Michele Wright, specialist for health and medical sciences, at <a href="mailto:cte@doe.virginia.gov">cte@doe.virginia.gov</a> or by telephone at 804-225-3119.

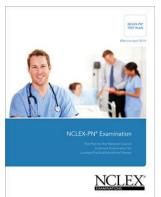
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## 2014 NCLEX-PN Test Plan is Now Available Online

NCSBN reviews the NCLEX-PN Test Plan every three years to ensure that the examination continues to be reflective of entry-level LPN/VN practice. The test plan provides a concise summary of the content and scope of the licensing examination and serves as a guide for candidates preparing to sit for the examination. The 2014 NCLEX-PN Test Plan will go into effect April 1, 2014, and can be found on the current NCLEX Test Plans page of the NCSBN website.

The 2014 NCLEX-PN Detailed Test Plan will be posted to the NCSBN website in December 2013. This document offers a more thorough and comprehensive listing of content for each client needs category

and subcategory as outlined in the test plan. The 2014 NCLEX-PN Detailed Test Plan will exist in two versions: a candidate version and an item writer/item reviewer/nurse educator version. The versions are identical in content except the item writer/item reviewer/nurse educator version offers an item writing guide and a section with case scenarios.

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